

Welcome to the Vance minute. I'm Joe B. Wiles with the Public Affairs Office...

Each year, Enid community leaders are chosen to be Team Vance honorary commanders. As honorary commanders, they are paired with a squadron or group commander, and spend the year learning what makes the base operate.

They learn about the people and mission of the 71st Flying Training Wing by touring the shops and facilities that support student pilot training.

On Aug 13th, Vance leaders decided to expand the depth of the program by providing an opportunity to learn about the base to spouses, children and grandchildren of the honorary commanders.

The older children got a hands-on look at a flight simulator while the younger ones explored fire trucks and the control tower.

They all watched a military working dog demonstration, got a close up look at the training aircraft, and learned about the ejection seats and how student pilots train to use them during inflight emergencies.

The tour was wrapped up with lunch at the bowling center.

That's your Vance Minute...have a great Air Force day.